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6 DEC 1963

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

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SUBJECT: Project [REDACTED]

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1. On 2 December 1963 I requested [REDACTED] to call a meeting of the [REDACTED] group for a briefing on the results of the site survey. A meeting was arranged for 2:30 p.m. on 3 December. Later on 2 December, Mr. [REDACTED] called and stated that it appeared [REDACTED] was in for at least a year's delay but the meeting would be held as scheduled.

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2. The meeting was held in the AF Division conference room. Present were:

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Project Officer
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Commo/ [REDACTED]
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[REDACTED]
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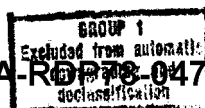
3. Mr. [REDACTED] opened the meeting by announcing that General [REDACTED] and Colonel White had nonconcurred in the Project Outline, and that the DCI had already indicated that funds would not be available until FY 1966 under any circumstances. There was considerable discussion as to whether the Project was simply delayed or cancelled altogether. Discussions ensued on the advisability of procuring the land if funds could be made available and there was assurance that the Project would go forward. The consensus was that acquisition of land at an early date was desirable for the following reasons:

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a. The Agency has strongly indicated to [REDACTED] that acquisition of land would proceed immediately.

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b. The desired tracts might not be available at a future date.

c. We are in a better negotiating position if not under pressure to complete acquisition immediately. If a year were available to negotiate, it is probable more satisfactory arrangements could be made for acquisition than if handled on a crash basis.

4. It was agreed that the Project Officer would prepare a request to the Comptroller requesting \$200,000 for procurement of land.

25X1A 5. It was also agreed that the Project Officer would prepare a paper for approval of continuation of Phase I [REDACTED] through FY 1964 and FY 1965.

6. It was agreed that the Project Officer would prepare a paper reaffirming the requirement for this Project for implementation in FY 1966. It was brought out that there were many policy problems on funding and staffing that must be resolved.

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8. It was brought out that [REDACTED] should be notified of the 25X1C substantial delay on this Project. This will be done as soon as the status of the Project is clear.

25X1A 9. The survey team briefed the meeting on the results of the site survey, and explained the three locations that were selected. Boundaries on the three locations have been delineated, corner markers installed, true north lines established by sun shots and plats of the three sites completed and brought back to Headquarters. Copies were left with the [REDACTED]

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